

located in an underperforming State that received a Phase I SBIR or STTR award, subject to an increase in the allocation percentage;

“(C) establish a program to make Phase 1.5 SBIR or STTR awards to small business concerns located in underperforming States in order to provide funding for 12 to 24 months to continue the development of technology; and

“(D) carry out subparagraph (C) along with other mentorship programs.

“(4) DURATION.—The pilot program established under this subsection shall terminate 5 years after the date on which the pilot program is established.

“(5) REPORT.—The Department shall submit to Congress an annual report on the status of the pilot program established under this subsection, including the improvement in funding under the SBIR and STTR programs of the Department provided to small business concerns located in underperforming States.”.

**SA 4802.** Mr. OSSOFF (for himself, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. KING, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, and Mr. KELLY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3867 submitted by Mr. REED and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4350, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ DR. DAVID SATCHER CYBERSECURITY EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM.**

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the “Cybersecurity Opportunity Act”.

(b) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) **DIRECTOR.**—The term “Director” means the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

(2) **ENROLLMENT OF NEEDY STUDENTS.**—The term “enrollment of needy students” has the meaning given the term in section 312(d) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1058(d)).

(3) **HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY.**—The term “historically Black college or university” has the meaning given the term “part B institution” as defined in section 322 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1061).

(4) **INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.**—The term “institution of higher education” has the meaning given the term in section 101(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001(a)).

(5) **MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTION.**—The term “minority-serving institution” means an institution listed in section 371(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a)).

(c) **AUTHORIZATION OF GRANTS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to the availability of appropriations, the Director shall carry out the Dr. David Satcher Cybersecurity Education Grant Program by—

(A) awarding grants to assist institutions of higher education that have an enrollment of needy students, historically Black colleges and universities, and minority-serving institutions, to establish or expand cybersecurity programs, to build and upgrade insti-

tutional capacity to better support new or existing cybersecurity programs, including cybersecurity partnerships with public and private entities, and to support such institutions on the path to producing qualified entrants in the cybersecurity workforce or becoming a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity; and

(B) awarding grants to build capacity at institutions of higher education that have an enrollment of needy students, historically Black colleges and universities, and minority-serving institutions, to expand cybersecurity education opportunities, cybersecurity programs, cybersecurity research, and cybersecurity partnerships with public and private entities.

(2) **RESERVATION.**—The Director shall award not less than 50 percent of the amount available for grants under this section to historically Black colleges and universities and minority-serving institutions.

(3) **COORDINATION.**—The Director shall carry out this section in coordination with appropriate Federal agencies, including the Department of Homeland Security.

(4) **SUNSET.**—The Director’s authority to award grants under paragraph (1) shall terminate on the date that is 5 years after the date the Director first awards a grant under paragraph (1).

(d) **APPLICATIONS.**—An eligible institution seeking a grant under subsection (a) shall submit an application to the Director at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Director may reasonably require, including a statement of how the institution will use the funds awarded through the grant to expand cybersecurity education opportunities at the eligible institution.

(e) **ACTIVITIES.**—An eligible institution that receives a grant under this section may use the funds awarded through such grant for increasing research, education, technical, partnership, and innovation capacity, including for—

(1) building and upgrading institutional capacity to better support new or existing cybersecurity programs, including cybersecurity partnerships with public and private entities;

(2) building and upgrading institutional capacity to provide hands-on research and training experiences for undergraduate and graduate students; and

(3) outreach and recruitment to ensure students are aware of such new or existing cybersecurity programs, including cybersecurity partnerships with public and private entities.

(f) **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.**—Not later than—

(1) 1 year after the effective date of this section, as provided in subsection (h), and annually thereafter until the Director submits the report under paragraph (2), the Director shall prepare and submit to Congress a report on the status and progress of implementation of the grant program under this section, including on the number and nature of institutions participating, the number and nature of students served by institutions receiving grants, the level of funding provided to grant recipients, the types of activities being funded by the grants program, and plans for future implementation and development; and

(2) 5 years after the effective date of this section, as provided in subsection (h), the Director shall prepare and submit to Congress a report on the status of cybersecurity education programming and capacity-building at institutions receiving grants under this section, including changes in the scale and scope of these programs, associated facilities, or in accreditation status, and on the educational and employment outcomes of

students participating in cybersecurity programs that have received support under this section.

(g) **PERFORMANCE METRICS.**—The Director shall establish performance metrics for grants awarded under this section.

(h) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This section shall take effect 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act.

**SA 4803.** Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself, Mr. KELLY, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. MORAN, Mr. YOUNG, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. KING, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. PETERS, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 3867 submitted by Mr. REED and intended to be proposed to the bill H.R. 4350, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 1216. AFGHANISTAN WAR COMMISSION ACT OF 2021.**

(a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the “Afghanistan War Commission Act of 2021”.

(b) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) **APPLICABLE PERIOD.**—The term “applicable period” means the period beginning June 1, 2001, and ending August 30, 2021.

(2) **APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.**—The term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(A) the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate;

(B) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate;

(C) the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate;

(D) the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate;

(E) the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives;

(F) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives;

(G) the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives; and

(H) the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

(3) **INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.**—The term “intelligence community” has the meaning given that term in section 3(4) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003(4)).

(c) **ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMISSION.**—

(1) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—There is established in the legislative branch an independent commission to be known as the Afghanistan War Commission (in this section referred to as the “Commission”).

(2) **MEMBERSHIP.**—

(A) **COMPOSITION.**—The Commission shall be composed of 16 members of whom—

(i) 1 shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate;

(ii) 1 shall be appointed by the ranking member of the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate;

(iii) 1 shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives;

(iv) 1 shall be appointed by the ranking member of the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives;